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SUBJECT: WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE - SECOND MEETING - BUREAU AUGUST 24

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SUMMARY. SECOND MEETING OF WPC BUREAU HELD FOR ONE HOUR AUGUST 24 TO HEAR A PROGRESS REPORT ON CONFERENCE AND DISCUSS PRG. END SUMMARY.

1. SECOND MEETING OF BUREAU WAS CALLED FOR 9:30 A.M.; SATURDAY AUGUST 24. REPORTS FROM CHAIRMAN OF PLENARY, THREE COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUP MADE AS FOLLOWS:

A) PLENARY - 134 SPEAKERS HAD BEEN INSCRIBED BUT ONLY 65 UNCLASSIFIED

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HAVE SPOKEN WITH AVERAGE SPEECH LASTING 23 MINUTES. PLENARY

MEETING ALL DAY AUGUST 24, AUGUST 26 AND ONE SESSION AUGUST 27.

ALMPRESENT RATE ONLY HALF OF REMAINING 69 SPEAKERS WILL BE
HEARD. CHAIR ASKED FOR GUIDANCE FROM BUREAU. SENEGAL
REQUESTED THAT ALL GOVERNMENTS SPEAK AHEAD OF NGO AND SPECIALIZED
AGENCIES. CUBA SUPPORTED AND URGED EXTRA SESSIONS IF REQUIRED.
THEY ALSO ASKED FOR EXCEPTION TO SENEGAL'S RECOMMENDATION FOR WORLD YOUTH POPULATION CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVE. THIS
WAS AGREED
TO BYCOMMITTEE I - DEVELOPMENT. EXPECTED TO COMPLETE ITS
WORK AUGUST 24 AND REPORT TO PLENARY AUGUST 27.

C) COMMITTEE II - ENVIRONMENT. GENERAL DEBATE COMPLETED AUGUST 23 AND ONE RECOMMENDATION ON ENVIRONMENT SUBMITTED TO WORKING GROUP. WILL CONSIDER FIVE SEPARATE RESOLUTIONS AUGUST 24.

D) COMMITTEE III - FAMILY. GENERAL DEBATE COMPLETED. WILL CONSIDER 9 RESOLUTIONS, SOME OVERLAPPING, AUGUST 24.

E) WORKING GRTPP ON WPPA. MOVING SLOWLY -- COMPLETED 12 PARAS OUT OF 93-- WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MEET TUESDAY REPORT DEADLING TO PLENARY.

- 2. U.S. (PETERSON) EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WG ON WPPA WAS NOT FOLLOWING NORMAL UN PROCEDURES. WE PROPOSED THAT ALL AMENDMENTS BE READ BY SECRETARIAT BEFORE VOTE TAKEN, URGED SECRETARIAT BE ALLOWED TO EXPLAIN ITS WPPA LANGUAGE WHEN REQUESTED AND URGED ALL SPEAKERS BE RECOGNIZED AND PERMITTED TO SPEAK. SENEGAL, CUBA AND USSR ROSE TO DEFENSE OF ALGERIAN CHAIRMAN OF WG/) CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN ASSUMED THAT OFFICERS OF WG WOULD TAKE NOTE OF COMMENTS MADE.
- 3. CHAIRMAN THEN STATED THAT ALGERIA HAD APPRMUACHED HIM QUOTE SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF NON-ALIGNED END QUOTE ABOUT HOW UNFORTUNATE IT WAS THAT PRG WAS NOT REPRESENTED AT CONFERENCE. ALGERIA ADVISED THAT TITY WOULD BE PUTTING FORWA D A PAPAER ON

THIS ITEM NEXT WEEK SO SHAIRMAN SAID HE WOULD DEFER THIS MATTER UNTIL NEXT WEEK. CUBA SPOKE UP IMMEDIATELY:- NOT ACCEPTING CHAIRS EFFORT TO DERER ISSUE AND URGED THAT BURSIU TAKE STAND UNCLASSIFIED

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NOW ON ADMISSION OF PRG TO WPC. CZECHOSLOVAKIA JOINED CUBA AND SAID THAT PARIS AGREEMENTS PROVIDED LEGAL BASIS FOR POSITIVE BUREAU ACTION.

4. U.S. DEL THEN MADE FOLLOWING STATEMENT: QUOTE MR. PRESIDENT, I AM REALLY VERY SORRY THAT THE QUESTION OF THE PARTICIPATION OF THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIET NAM IN THIS CONFERENCE SHOULD AGAIN ARISE. IN THE ECONOMIC AND

SOCIAL COUNCIL, THE SINIOR BODY IN THE UNITED NATIONS WHICH CALLED FOR THE CONVENING OF THIS CONFEJINCE IN ITULRESOLUTION 1484 ON APRIL 3, 1970, IT WAS DECIDED THAT ALL STATES WHO WERE MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS OR THE UNITED NATIONS SPECIALIZED AGENCIES WOULD BE INVITED TO ATTEND. THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIET NAM DID NOT AND DOES NOT FALL INTO THESE CATEGORIES.

THE QUESTION OF INVITATIONS TO THIS CONFERENCE WAS RAISED AGAIN AND DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH IN THE ECOSOC MEETING IN THE SPRING OF THIS YEAR. ON MAY 14, 1974 IN ECOSOC RESOLUTION 1835 THE FOGULA WAS AMENDED TO INCLUDE CFRTH VIET NAM BUT NOT THE PRG. IN ADBTXION, THE RESOLUTION PROVIDED FOR PARTICIPATION, WITHOUT THE RIGHT TO VOTE, FOR THOSE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE ARAB LEAGUE OR THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY. NEITHER OF THESE GROUPS RECOGNIZES THE PRG.

WE CAN FIND NO PRECEDENT WHEREBY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE COULD ADMIT THE PRG TO SPEAK ON HIS OWN AUGHORITY. WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THERE IS NO LEGAL WAY FOR THIS CONFERENCE TO REOPEN THIS MATTER. IF THERE IS FURTHER QUESTION ABOUT THIS POINT, I AM SURE THAT THE UNITED NATIONS LEGAL ADVISER WOULD BE ABLE TO COMMENT ON THIS PARTICULAR MATTER.

WITH REGARD TO THE PARIS AGREEMENT WHICH HAS BEEN MENTIONED HY THE REPRESENTATIVE OF CZECHSLOVAKIA, I THOUGHT THE BUREAU SHOULD DNOW THAT ARTICLE 9 OF THE ACCORD OF PARIS INTERNATIONAL CONFERANCE ON VIET NAM PROVIDED THAT "SIGNATURE"

OF THIS ACCORD DOES NOT CONSTITUTE RECOGNITION OF ANY PARTY IN ANY CASE IN WHICH IT HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY BEEN ACCORDED." THIS CLEAR STATEMENT SHOWS THAT THE SITUATION WITH REGARD TO THE PRG WAS NOT CHANGED BY THE PARIS ACCORDS. UNCLASSIFIED

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IN CLOSING, MR. PRESIDENT, I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT WE DO NOT BELIEVE THIS SUBSTANTIVE CONFERENCE CONVERNED WITH ON OF THE MOST SERIOUS PROBLEMS THAT THE WORLD FACES TODAY IS THE FORUM TO DISCUSS THIS POLITICAL ISSUE. IF THE MATTER IS TO BE PURSUED FURTHER, WE BELIEVE IT SHOULD BE REFFERED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS AT ITS 29TH SESSION IN SEPTEMBER OF THIS YEAR FOR APPROPRIATE RESOLUTION, END QUOTE

H: THE USSR THEN SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF CUBA AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

6. URUGUAY, JAPAN AND THE UNITED KINGDOM (EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE NOT A PART MN THE BUREAU--THIS WAS NOT CAUGHT BY THE CHAIR AND THEY WERE RECOGNIZED) ALL SPOKE IN FAVOR OF UE U.S. POSITION.

7. CHAIR ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THERE WERE DIFFERENCES OF OPINION ON THIS ISSUE ASKED FOR TIME TO QUOTE THINK THE MATTER OVER END QUOTE AND CONSULT WITH INTERESTED DELEGATION. HE WILL RECONVENE THE BUREAU NEXT WEEK TO PURSUE THE MATTER FURTHER. BARNES

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